

DETAILED ACTION

1. The action is in response to amendments filed on 04/23/2008.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 13-32 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicant has amended independent claims 13, 25 and 32 to overcome the prior art of reference. As to claim 13, the prior art of reference does not show the inlet orifice being coaxial with the outlet orifice, first flow path and the second flow path. As to claim 25, the prior art of reference does not show the sealing washer compressed between the increased diameter section of the cylindrical body, the restriction plate and the fluid source. Furthermore, the prior art of reference does not show that the flow along the outer flow path cause a pressure to act on the valve. As to claim 32, the prior art does not show a retaining ring with a flat surface positioned below the flow restriction plate having an array of apertures around its perimeter. Claims depending from independent claims 13 and 25 are also allowable for further limiting the allowable subject matter.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to RYAN REIS whose telephone number is (571)270-5060. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Len Tran can be reached on (571) 272-1184. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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